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Title: ENDOSCOPIC SYSTEM WITH A SOLID-STATE LIGHT SOURCE

The prior application is assigned to Smith & Nephew, Inc., a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on September 7, 2001 at 012156/0189.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Enclosures:

- Preliminary Amendment (7 pages).
- Copies of Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages) and Assignment Recordation (1 page), which were filed in the parent application. Please enter these in this application.
- Enclosed are copies of Forms PTO-1449 and Forms PTO-892 that list art of record in the parent case. Applicant respectfully requests for Examiner to initial the art cited on each form to indicate that the art has been considered and made formally of record.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/949,430, filed September 7, 2001. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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If this application is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (617) 542-5070.

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